Construction of culverts in Nooranad.

64. * **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government or the Chief Engineer has received a memorial dated 21-10-1111 from the inhabitants of Edappon, Pulimel, etc., in Nooranad, Mavelikara taluk, for the construction of a few culverts on a road that has been improved by them; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the steps taken on the same?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) A detailed report has been received from the Chief Engineer and the matter is under consideration.

The Pandalam-Aranmula road.

65. * **MR. E. K. KUNJURAMAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) in what section of the Public Works Department has the northern side of the Pandalam—Aranmula road been included, and how many years have elapsed since that part of the road has been touched by the Department; and

(*b*) the length of that part of the Pandalam-Aranmula road which lies on the northern side of the Nakkalikal Canal and the average sum spent per mile to maintain the said part of the road yearly?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): (*a*) Adur Section. The road is being maintained in the best manner possible with the available maintenance grant.

(*b*) 7/8 of a mile, Rs. 80 per mile.

Bridge at Poovar.

66. * **MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to state what action has been taken on the proposal to construct a bridge over the Neyyar at Poovar?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings, and Irrigation*): An estimate has been called for from the Chief Engineer.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know the date on which the Government have asked the Chief Engineer to prepare an estimate?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I cannot give the exact date now.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know the reason for taking such a long time in preparing the estimate?

MR. G. B. E TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): We have to carry out some investigations for the work and for that we want boring tools that are being used at present elsewhere.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know whether at any time an estimate was prepared?

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : No, there has been a rough estimate in which it was stated that the cost would be something over 50,000 rupees. Moreover there is another crossing proposed to be bridged.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) : May I know whether the Government will be pleased to ask the Chief Engineer to submit his report without the usual delay ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : The usual delay is the inevitable delay and the Chief Engineer will submit his report as early as he possibly can.

Housing of the Law Courts in Trivandrum.

67. ***MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state how long the question of housing all the law courts in Trivandrum in a single pile of buildings been engaging the attention of Government ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : Since 1913. But the Government have dropped the idea for the present.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) : May I know the reason for dropping this idea ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : Rs. 2,33,000 is the reason. That was the amount of the estimate prepared and therefore the work has been allowed to lie over.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum—Rural*) : Is it possible to shift some of the courts to the present site ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : It is proposed to shift all the courts to this site.

MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*) : Is there any proposal to shift the District and Munsiffs' Courts ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : Yes, that was the proposal.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly